

#### **MEMORANDUM**

Substitute Agenda Item 15(C)1

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro and

Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: April 24, 2007

FROM: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk

Circuit and County Courts

SUBJECT: Appointment of Joanne Feuerman

and Diana Susi to the Dial-A-Life

Program Advisory and Oversight

Board

Kay Sullivan, Director Clerk of the Board Division

This substitute item is being submitted to correct a scrivener's error made in identifying the executive director of the Domestic Violence Oversight Board.

It is recommended that the Board consider the appointment of Ms. Joanne Feuerman and Ms. Diana Susi to fill two vacancies on the Dial-A-Life Program Advisory and Oversight Board.

Section 2-1312 of the Miami-Dade County Code established the Dial-A-Life Program Advisory and Oversight Board to oversee the collection and distribution of donated cellular and/or mobile telephones to eligible members of the community. The current vacancies on the Board must be filled by one member of the Miami-Dade County Domestic Violence Oversight Board and one representative from a community based organization dedicated to supporting families with at-risk or disabled children.

Mr. Vaughn Tooley, Executive Director, Domestic Violence Oversight Board, is presenting the nomination of Ms. Feuerman as a qualified candidate to fill the vacant seat to be filled by a member of the Domestic Violence Oversight Board. Ms. Carmen Williams, Dial-A-Life Board Secretary has forwarded the name of Ms. Susi, President, AYUDA, Inc., as a qualified candidate to fill the vacant seat to be filled by a community based organization dedicated to supporting families with at-risk or disabled children.

The letters of interest and resumes submitted by Ms. Feuerman and Ms. Susi are attached for your information.

KS:fcd Attachments Ms. Carmen Williams
Miami-Dade Communications Department
111 NW 1 Street Suite 2510
Miami, Florida 33128

March 23, 20007

Dear Ms. Williams:

I would like to serve on the Dial-A-Life Advisory and Oversight Board as the Domestic Violence Oversight Board representative. I have enclosed my resume, as requested.

Sincerely yours,

Joanne Feuerman, LCSW

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# CONSULTANT - COUNSELOR PSYCHIATRIC / MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER

## QUALIFICATIONS

In-depth background of experience and education in many environments including Health Care Agencies, Hospitals, Mental Health Clinics and Government Agencies with participation in the decision-making processes.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1991 to Present

## **PSYCHOTHERAPIST IN PRIVATE PRACTICE**

Center for Counseling, Miami, Florida

- Furnish counseling to private patients
- Provide individual and group therapy to adults and children

1987 to 1996

## MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER

Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center,

University of Miami Hospital & Clinics, Miami, Florida

- Furnished counseling to private patients and their families
- Performed discharge planning procedures
- Supervised other members of the department
- Acted as liaison with the University of Miami Medical School for the Organ Donation program
- Served on the Quality Assurance Committee

1984 to 1987

## CONSULTANT

Broward Home Health Agency, Fort Lauderdale, Florida Home Health Agency of the United States, Hallandale, Florida Gold Coast South Home Health Agency, Hollywood, Florida

- Successfully resolved at least 80% of patient and family problems
- Provided resource information to recently hospitalized patients
- Provided counseling for emotional / psychiatric problems

1979 to 1984

# MEDICAL / PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER

Humana Hospital Biscayne, Miami, Florida

- Furnished counseling to patients and their families
- Provided counseling in a group environment
- Performed discharge planning procedures
- Supervised social work students seeking undergraduate and graduate degrees

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (Continued)

1978 to 1979 **PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER** Henderson Clinic, Fort Lauderdale, Florida Provided individual and group therapy to youths and adults **SOCIAL WORKER** 1977 to 1978 Broward County Housing Authority, Fort Lauderdale, Florida Provided therapy to low rent housing recipients MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER 1975 to 1977 Humana Hospital Biscayne, Miami, Florida Provided resources and counseling to patients and their families **EDUCATION** MASTERS DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK 1979 Barry University, Miami Shores, Florida MASTERS DEGREE IN HISTORY 1972 University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN ART HISTORY 1964 Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York LICENSES Clinical Social Worker Certified Case Manager

# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- National Association of Social Workers
  - Academy of Certified Social Workers
  - Clinical Faculty Florida International University
  - Member, Long term Care Task Force of South Florida Hospital Association

## REFERENCES

Professional and personal references available upon request

# DIANA SUSI 1375 NORTH BISCAYNE POINT ROAD MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA 33141

Ms. Carmen Williams Miami-Dade Communications 111 NW 1 Street, Suite 2510 Miami, FL 33128

April 10th, 2007

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CLERK BADE COUNTY FLA.

Re:

The Ordinance amending Section 2-1312 of the Code relating to the Dial-A-Life Board to add a new position (representative from a community based organization dedicated to supporting families with at-risk or disabled children) on the board has been approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

Dear Ms. Williams:

Let this letter express my interest of this new position. Attached please see my resume. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

Respectfully yours,

Diana Susi, MSW President AYUDA, Inc.

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## DIANA SUSI

1375 North Biscayne Point Road Miami Beach, Florida 33141 Phone (305) 865-4281

#### **SUMMARY**

Marriage and Family Therapist. Rehabilitation Service Provider. Addictions Counselor, Educator.

### **WORK HISTORY**

1986	- Present	
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Director of Happy Kids Childcare Centers, Developed Educational and Counseling Programs at: 7118 Byron Avenue, 2217 Normandy Drive, 1700 Jefferson Avenue, 7625 Byron Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida. President, CEO Ayuda, Inc., a non-profit organization in charge of Grants Development and Fund Raising for Early Childhood Scholarships, Teenage students, and Elderly population.

1986 - 1996

Administrative Director of Stamen Comprehensive Center, Inc. which owned and operated North Beach Tutoring Services located at 1171 –71 Street, Miami Beach, Florida

1983 - 1986

Woods Rehabilitation Services, Orlando, Florida. Regional Representative. Visiting Nurses Association, Miami, Florida. Visiting Social Worker. Association for the Development of the Exceptional, Miami Beach. Women and Children's Resource Center, Miami Beach, Florida.

1980 - 1981

Coordinator and Supervisor of CETA – A Program of Job Training of Latin Adolescents and placement in summer jobs.

1978 - Present

Individual and Family Therapist. Public School Liaison. Domestic Violence and Homeless Prevention Activities.

#### **EDUCATION**

Masters Degree in Social Work – Barry University, 5/1978. Major in Counseling.
Minor in Business Administration.
Bachelors of Science from the University of Miami, 1974.

#### TRAINED

Jackson Memorial Hospital counseling patients in critical care unit, 1977-1978. Mailman Center for Child Development, Miami, 1975-1976.

#### PERSONAL

Fluent in Spanish.

Member of the following Chambers of Commerce: Miami Beach, South Beach, Miami Beach Latin. Aventura Market Council, North Beach Development Corporation. City of Miami Beach Neighborhood First Oversight Committee.

Committee member on the Status of Women, City of Miami Member of the following Organizations: Cuban Women's Club, Kiwanis Club of Miami Beach, Women for Human Rights, National Association of Social Workers, and National Association for the Education of the Young Child. Dade Community Foundation Miamian's Working Together in Miami Beach. Life member of Hadassah.



# **DIANA SUSI**

# SPECIAL HONORS AND RECOGNITION.

November 1992

December 1999	Recipient of Father Albert Cutie – Father Albert – Channel 51, Award for dedicating 22 years of her life to help needy children.
November 1999	Recipient of the Key to Miami-Dade County.  Recipient of the Key to the City of Miami Beach.  Proclamation given by Florida House of Representatives – Tallahassee.  Proclamation given by the City of Key Biscayne.
August 1999	Finalist CHAW'S 1999 Vivian Salazar Quevedo woman of Year Award.
June 1999	Nominee for Monsignor Bryan Walsh Outstanding Human Service Professional Award.
March 1998	Recipient "Woman Worth Knowing" Award - Miami Beach Commission on the Status of Women.
February 1998	Nominee Miami Dade County Medal of Service - Civic Service.
December 1997	Recipient One of the Most Outstanding Personalities in Miami Beach - Miami Beach Latin Chamber of Commerce.
October 1997	Nominee for Leadership Award - Centro Comunitario Hispano.
May 1997	Nominee Director of the Year Award - Metro-Dade Child Development Services.
November 1996	Recipient - Unity Award for Community Service Work - Hispanic Affairs Committee, City of Miami Beach.
July 1996	Nominee Miami Herald's Charles Whited Spirit of Excellence Award.
April 1996	Recipient of Proclamations given by: Metro Dade County, City of Miami and City of Miami Beach.
April 1996	Recipient Special Award - Community Development Week - City of Miami Beach.
June 1995	Hadassah Service Award – Hadassah International.
April 1995	Floridana Especial – Cuban Women's Club
January 1993	Most Valuable and Distinguished Service - City of Miami Beach.

Proclamation for the Betterment of the City and Service to its Citizens – City of Miami Beach.